

## U.S. Steel Head Hails Decision On Consolidated

Irving S. Olds, chairman of the Board of the United States Steel Corporation, today made the following statement:

"It is gratifying to United States Steel Corp. to learn that Federal Judge Rodney of the United States District Court at Wilmington, Del., today dismissed the complaint filed several months ago by the Department of Justice against United States Steel Corp., its west coast subsidiary, Columbia Steel Co., and Consolidated Steel Corp., of Los Angeles, Calif. This complaint alleged that the proposed acquisition by Columbia Steel of the steel fabricating assets and business of Consolidated Steel would be in violation of the anti-trust laws.

"The decision rendered by the United States District Court holds:

"1. That acquisition by Columbia Steel of the steel fabricating business of Consolidated Steel will not unreasonably restrain trade in rolled steel products or in fabricated steel products.

"2. This acquisition will not tend to create a monopoly.

"3. There is no evidence in the case of a monopoly.

"4. The defendants are entitled to a judgment dismissing the complaint on the merits.

"These steel fabricating properties of Consolidated Steel Corporation are principally located at Los Angeles and San Francisco, Calif., in areas where United States Steel now has no fabricating facilities of similar character."

## Ford Motor Part Buying Program Shows Progress

Chapman Wentworth, manager of Longren Aircraft Co., Torrance, and a member of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce Management Research Committee, said today that the Ford Motor Company's \$60,000,000-a-year California parts buying program has progressed to the point where contracts have been signed with 88 California manufacturers.

Small screws, screw machine parts, forgings, rubber components, wiring assemblies, coil springs, interior trim sets and other locally produced parts are being purchased under the contracts.

All of the passenger car wheels used in west coast Ford plants are now being produced by California factories. These wheels are being made from steel produced on the west coast, Wentworth said.

Southern California manufacturers will be able to complete contractual agreements in similar parts buying campaigns of General Motors, Nash, Willys-Overland, Studebaker and Chrysler in the near future, he said he believed.

The new Lincoln-Mercury plant in Los Angeles has been occupied by the office staff and is expected to be rolling cars from the assembly lines next spring, Wentworth said he was informed. The plant's daily capacity at full production will be 250 units.

The Ford plant at Long Beach now employs 1,100 persons and has a daily production capacity exceeding 200 cars and trucks. It has a greater full production capacity.

## LADENE HAMMAN NAMED SECRETARY BY CITY COUNCIL

Appointment of Mrs. Ladene Hamman to serve as secretary to the City Engineer, the Planning Commission and the City Attorney was confirmed last night by the Torrance City Council.

Mrs. Hamman will take the place of Mrs. Doris Watson, who has resigned.

## BOBBY SOX

By Marty Links



"Folks, Alvin here says he'd like to treat you to a movie!"

## 'One Over One' Rule To Pack Food Announced

"One over one" is the rule for packing candy, nuts, fruits, and other gift foods, Jonathan Kirkpatrick, food and drug inspection chief of the Los Angeles county health department, advised following a check-up of such packaging for the holiday trade.

This regulation calls for the same quality of merchandise on the bottom layers as is placed on the top one. If there are any chocolate-coated nuts on the top, they must be included in the lower stratum, Kirkpatrick explained.

At holiday time, many home products such as fruit cakes and plum puddings are sold, and all manufacturers and merchants connected with the products should familiarize themselves with local health regulations and permits governing home production, he pointed out. Information regarding these regulations and permits may be obtained at the local health department.

Stuffing paper, excelsior, false bottoms, or other camouflage tending to mislead a customer as to the size and quality of the goods are unlawful.

## LEGISLATION MEET

Mrs. H. T. Seeman, president, and Mrs. E. M. Bernardin of Halldale P.T.A., attend a Legislation Institute meeting Tuesday in Los Angeles.

## State's Stand On Tidelands Issue Clarified

State officials Nov. 7 met with Governor Earl Warren to map out a campaign for control of tidelands by California.

Meeting with the Governor in the state building were Attorney General Fred N. Howser, Assembly Speaker Sam L. Cullins, Lt. Gov. Goodwin J. Knight, State Director of Finance James Dean and members of the State Lands Commission.

After a short conference, the group issued the following statement:

"The recent decree of the U.S. Supreme Court clouding titles to California tidelands, as well as the titles of all other states to their tidelands, ports, bays and harbors, presents one of the most serious fundamental attacks of recent years upon the states.

"For the past 10 years, we have been defending our constitutional rights jointly with other states of the union before Congress and the courts. All present at this meeting agreed to a joint program with other states of the union through the National Association of Attorneys General to reestablish the rights of the states to their tidelands as recognized by the Federal government, the Supreme Court of the United States for the first century and a half of our national existence."

## TRANSPORTATION GROUP CONTINUED IN OFFICE TO AID BUS LINE EXPANSION

A long-range Torrance transportation plan which will insure an adequate service for the expanding community and population is the aim of the transportation subcommittee of the Citizens Committee, continued in force following its report to the whole committee Nov. 4, telling its success in having the City Council acquire four new buses for the Torrance Municipal Bus Lines.

This was the statement of Councilman W. H. Tolson, chairman of the sub-committee of seven, following notification from Chairman Reed H. Parkin, of the Citizens Committee, that the transportation group had been reappointed as a permanent committee.

Other members are Bob L. Haggard, realtor; E. W. Ingram, assistant superintendent of schools; W. H. Murphy, manager of the bus lines; Dean L. Sears, manager of the Torrance branch of the Bank of America; Frank S. Selover, managing editor of the Torrance Herald and William A. Zoeller, secretary of the sub-committee and certified public accountant.

It was reported that the four new Reo buses purchased will be delivered earlier than the dates originally announced, and that it is hoped all four of the new 34-passenger vehicles will be here in time to establish new local lines for the heavy anticipated Christmas season.

Two of the original Torrance buses will be scrapped (worn-out Whites bought in 1940 after they were discarded by the Santa Monica Municipal lines) and the four newly acquired buses will provide a total of 12 pieces of equipment in good condition for the present and contemplated Torrance bus lines.

The new buses will enable the establishment of hourly scheduled through North Torrance and Central Torrance from Long Beach to Inglewood; establishment of extended schedules from Torrance to outlying sections such as Waverly, Seaside Ranchos and Hollywood Riviera; addition of three new schedules from Torrance to Los Angeles; establishment of a local Torrance run to include portions eliminated from the Los Angeles and the Waverly-Harbor Hills operations.

Establishment of an adequate local bus service, according to members of the committee, means, among other things:

1. Bus service which will serve employers of industrial and commercial plants in Torrance where shifts start at 8 a.m., 9 a.m. or at other hours.
2. Service which will meet the starting and closing schedules of the elementary and high schools.
3. Service which will enable

## Home Fires Kill Larger Number, Says Fire Chief

The greatest loss of life from fires occurs in dwellings, said Fire Chief J. E. McMaster this week.

Quoting statistics from various reports, Chief McMaster pointed out that approximately 10,000 persons lose their lives each year in this country. Of this number, 7,500 are women and children, the majority of whom die in their own homes from avoidable fires.

"The most common cause of dwelling fires is careless smoking, he warned. To avoid these fires, the Chief suggested that you do not smoke in bed. Nor should lighted cigarette stubs be thrown out of car, home, or apartment windows. One simple solution, he said, is to keep plenty of ash trays around the house.

Other causes of fires in homes, said Chief McMaster, are defective chimneys and flues, careless use of matches by adults and children, needless accumulations of rubbish, defective electrical equipment, and use of combustible dry cleaning fluids.

One reason ascribed by fire protection authorities for the high loss of life in dwelling fires, added the Chief, is the widespread lack of protection against fires that do start. If a fire were to start in your home right now, what could you do until the fire department got there?

## Marriage Licenses

Paul Randazzo, Rt. 1, Box 141-H, Torrance and Olga Peters, 514 W. 6th St., Artesia. Frank Astor, 21427 S. Vermont Ave., Torrance, and Ruth E. Duncan, 1124 W. Carson St., Torrance.

Ali DeAnda, 990 Ave. A Redondo Beach, and Angelina R. Vega, 20250 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance.

George W. Osmond, 15603 Normandie Ave., Gardena, and Doris P. Watson, 1225 Cota Ave. John E. Sherman, 1320 E. Glendace Ave., Compton, and Romaine N. Miller, 1222 Cota Ave., Torrance.

## 2 Burglaries Reported

Two burglaries were reported to Torrance police during the past week.

At approximately 7 p.m. Saturday, burglars entered the J. C. Penney store, 1261 Sartori ave., through a trap door in the ceiling and made off with \$175 in cash from a cash box in the store.

Mrs. Helen Wilson, 1811 Border ave., reported to police that burglars forced their way into her home through an unlocked front window Monday evening. They made off with jewelry of no cash value but with a high sentimental attachment.

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## Cowboy Clem

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a round-up of party-line rules

- Space your calls instead of making a whole series of them... and talk only as long as necessary.
- If yours is an emergency call, and the line is in use, explain the circumstances to the person using the line.
- If you are calling from a dial telephone, always make certain the line is clear before you dial.
- When the children use the telephone, ask them to be considerate, too.
- Replace the receiver properly when you finish your call.

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